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## Amendments to House Bill No. 2 Committee Study Bill

Requested by Representative Trudi Schmidt

For the House Appropriations Committee

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1. Page B-3, following line 21.

Insert: "a.

Big Sky Rx

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[State special revenue FY12&FY13]

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## Explanation:

This amendment reinstates funding for Big Sky Rx, a state funded program that provides assistance to purchase Medicare Part D drug coverage to Medicare eligible persons with incomes under 200% of the federal poverty level. Funding for the program was eliminated .This amendment restores funding for the 5% reduction item "Big Sky Rx". Big Sky Rx was submitted as part of the 5% reduction plan .required by statute, but this item was not included in the executive budget request. It was adopted as part of the budget starting point.

This amendment adds the following amounts: health and Medicaid initiatives tobacco tax state special revenue - 4,003,223 each year of the biennium